



RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.113-  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING  
GROUP 2624

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
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SERIAL NO: 09/869,293 :  
FILED: AUGUST 27, 2001 : GROUP ART UNIT: 2624  
FOR: PATTERN MATCHING METHOD :  
AND UNIT, POSITION DETECTION  
METHOD AND UNIT, ALIGNMENT  
METHOD AND UNIT, EXPOSURE  
METHOD AND APPARATUS, AND  
DEVICE AND DEVICE  
MANUFACTURING METHOD

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated April 4, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.